whole condition of the co-operative system as is now worked in Cochin and call for a report for its re-organisation. It will be one of the chief items, I believe, in the rural reconstruction scheme that the Government has in its mind It is to bring these matters to the Government's notice that I have tabled this motion. I do not move it separately or wish to press it to a division.

Mr. A. B. Salem.—I have a few words to say. I have also tabled a cut motion. I do not wish to move it separately. I shall take just two minutes.

Sir, I had asked a question, whether there is an agricultural co-operative society formed in the State, either by the Government, or by the people to the knowledge of the Government. Of course, partially it has been answered. If they have not one, this aspect of the case should certainly be not forgotten in this matter. In the coming year, it must be the policy of the Government, because you see that these credit societies come into existence for the amelioration of the condition of the masess. You have been telling us, Sir, that this is a people's movement, that there should be no distinction between official and non-official, and that you would co-operate with us, and we should co-operate with you. We are very glad to hear your genuine feelings and intentions, but the Government should translate its intention into action. That is what we want. When the Government half of this House is recruited from this House, and its one part can becomes the other part, then the co-operation that you ask from us will be complete, and it will come speedily.

The question whether Mr. Nunez has the leave of the House to withdraw his motion was put to votes and carried.

President.—Then I think we shall pass over all the other motions. Mr. Puduval and Mr. Sankaran Nambudiri are absent. The others are withdrawn.

Motions Nos. 1 to 9 were considered withdrawn.

The Demand was put to vote and carried.

The grant was made.

Demand No. VII—Stamps.—Rs. 52,675

President.—Then, Demand No. VII—Stamps.

Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.—Sir, I rise to move for a grant of Rs. 52,675 under "VII—Stamps".

Of this, Rs. 6,949 is on account of establishment, Rs. 40,000 on account of purchase of stamps and stamp-papers.

Rs. 546 on account of contingencies and other supplies and services.

And Rs. 5,000—for refunds.

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There is no extraordinary or special item of expenditure in this demand, needing particular explanation, and I request the House will be pleased to grant the whole amount.

Motions Nos. 1—5.

Establishment.

Mr. Chakko Cheruvattur.—*To reduce the allotment of Rs. 6,949 for "Establishment" by Rs. 100.*

Temporary Establishment.

Mr. S. F. Nunez.—*To omit the allotment of Rs, 432 for "Temporary Establishment".*

Supplies and Services.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Wariar.—*To reduce the total allotment of Rs. 40,000 "for purchase of stamps and stamps papers" by one rupee.*

Stamps—Total.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—*To reduce the allotment of Rs. 63,700 by one rupee.*

Mr. M. K. Raman.—*To reduce the allotment of Rs. 63,700 for "Stamps" by one rupee.*

President.—There are cut motions. Are they pressed ?

Mr. Chakko Cheruvattur.—I do not move the motion. I want to get some information. There seems to be a lot of delay in the supply of stamps and stamp papers to the Taluk Office, especially one anna court fee stamp and two anna stamp paper. If they are not in stock always, it causes very great hardship.

Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.—No complaint has been received from *ex-officio* vendors regarding delay in supply. Apart from *ex-officio* vendors, there was a complaint from the Anchal Superintendent that *ex-officio* vendors do not sufficiently stock Anchal stamps.

President.—Was that complaint investigated ?

Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.—Orders have been issued to the Treasury Officers to be more prompt in sending up their indents. I shall see that no delay occurs.

Mr. Chakko Cheruvattur.—The difficulty is this. In the case of an appealable decree, for copies, stamp papers are asked to be produced within a certain period. Sometimes we have to run up to Trichur or Munkundapuram for this.

President.—I can quite understand that, in a matter like this, there should be no delay at all.

The motion was not pressed and hence deemed withdrawn.

President.—Then, No. 2, Mr. Nunez.

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Mr. S. F. Nunez.—With your permission, I want to move this as a token motion. It is to bring to the notice of the Government the present system in the matter of affixing stamps for cashing cheques. Now, in the banks of the State, we find that for every cheque that has to be cashed, we have to fix a stamp. That is indeed a serious impediment not only in the way of people who have got accounts in the Bank but also in the development of the banking system. There are many well-to-do people, who would deposit their money in the banks, not for the purpose of interest, but even for convenience and safety. But now, if such people go to draw their money they have to fix a stamp. I request that this impediment may be removed.

President.—This fact has been brought to the notice of the Government by the Nedungadi Bank and the Indian Bank at Mattancheri, and we are just trying to get information as to what steps are taken by Travancore Government in this matter. We shall see to it.

The motion, not being pressed to a division, was considered to be withdrawn.

President.—Then, No, 3, Mr. Ikkanda Wariar.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Wariar.—I do not move it. It was also to the same effect.

President.—Then, No. 4, Mr. Ramachandra Ayyar.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—I do not move it. It was also for the same thing.

President.—Then, No. 5, Mr. M. K. Raman.

Mr. M. K. Raman.—I am not going to press my motion. I want to get some information. Are any steps taken for the printing of stamps and stamp papers in our Government Press?

President.—There is some correspondence going on. We have asked Messrs. Dickinson and Co., to send their guides. It is under correspondence.

Mr. M. K. Raman.—It was only to bring to the notice of the Government that we can save Rs. 40,000 that I tabled this motion.

Motions Nos. 3, 4 and 5 not being pressed, were taken as withdrawn.

The question that Demand No. VII—Stamps for a sum of Rs. 52,675 be granted was put to votes and passed.

Demand No. XXV.
Stationery and Printing—Rs. 82,300

President.—Demand No. 25.—Stationery and Printing.

Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.—Sir, I beg leave to move for an allotment of Rs. 82,300 under 'Demand No.XXV—Stationery and Printing'. Of this amount, Rs. 45,750 represents the anticipated expenditure under 'Stationery' and Rs. 36,505 the expenditure

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